

DECLARATION UNDER 35 USC §371(c)(4) FOR PCT APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought, namely the invention entitled: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF OPTICALLY ACTIVE β -HYDROXY- α -AMINOCARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES**

described and claimed in international application number **PCT/JP2004/009829** filed **July 9, 2004**.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

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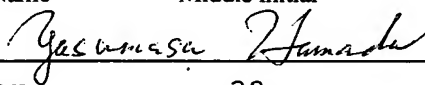
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